

controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rahall and Representatives Hastings of Washington, Bishop of Utah and Radanovich.

#### FEDERAL VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing to Examine Federal Vehicle Technology Research and Development Programs. Testimony was heard from Steven Chalk, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

#### INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE PARTNERSHIPS

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Coordination of International Science Partnerships. Testimony was heard from Jon Strauss, Chairman, Task Force on International Science, National Science Board, NSF; and public witnesses.

#### COAST GUARD ACQUISITION POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Overview of Coast Guard Acquisition Policies and Programs. Testimony was heard from RADM Gary Blote, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Acquisition, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, and John P. Hutton, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO.

#### POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the Nexus between Engaged in Combat with the Enemy and PTSD in an Era of Changing Warfare Tactics. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: RADM David J. Smith, USN, Joint Staff Surgeon; COL Robert Ireland, Program Director, Mental Health Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs; Bradley G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service; Antonette Zeiss, Deputy Chief Officer, Mental Health Services; and Maureen Murdoch, M.D., Core Investigator, Center for Chronic Disease Outcomes Research, Minneapolis Veterans Affairs Medical Center, all with the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

#### SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BACKLOG

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a joint hearing on Eliminating the Social Security Disability Backlog. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner; and Patrick O'Carroll, Inspector General; Dan Bertoni, Director, Disability Issues for the Education, Workforce and Income Security Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### CLIMATE LEGISLATION TRADE ASPECTS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Trade Aspects of Climate Change Legislation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### SRP BRIEFING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on SRP. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for National Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine reserve component programs of the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on the Budget:* business meeting to mark up the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, focusing on NextGen and the benefits of modernization, 9:45 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine how to improve energy market transparency and regulation, 2 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine transportation investment, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine the role of long-term care in health reform, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.